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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed May 15, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 27 and 33.

Please amend the following claims as follows:

C1 ~~Sub D1~~ 26. (Twice Amended) A medical balloon catheter comprising an inflatable expandable balloon configured to be attached to a catheter, the balloon having an extruded layer comprising liquid crystal polymer (LCP), wherein the balloon has a radial expansion less than about 10 percent when inflated to seven atmospheres.

Please add the following new claims:

C2 ~~Sub A03~~ 39. The medical balloon catheter of claim 26, wherein the balloon has a radial expansion less than about three percent when inflated to seven atmospheres.

40. A medical balloon catheter comprising an inflatable expandable balloon configured to be carried by a catheter, the balloon having a first extruded layer comprising liquid crystal polymer, and a burst pressure greater than seven atmospheres.

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